

## Village of Hopkins Park

# From the Mayor's Desk

Mayor Mark A. Hodge

Check out our new website: www.hopkinspark-IL.gov

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#### **EPA Water Quality Report:**

This report contains results from recent water testing conducted by the EPA. You can access the report on our new website, or you can review it at the Village Hall, Library, or Post Office.

#### Hopkins Park Wins Back Second Voting Precinct:

I would like to thank the entire Kankakee County Board and Samuel Payton; (Kankakee County Board Member for the 4<sup>th</sup> District representing Pembroke Township and Hopkins Park) for their support and votes that re-establish the 2<sup>nd</sup> voting precinct for our community.

This process took over 9 months of hard work, and required cooperation from Samuel Payton, Supervisor Sharon White, myself and Community Members to bring awareness of the injustice caused by reducing the availability of voting precincts in our community.

We will now have two voting locations on ALL election days: Pembroke Library and the Pembroke Senior Citizen Center.

Our goal is to increase voter Registration in the Pembroke Hopkins Park area, therefore we will be announcing upcoming events to bring awareness to our young citizens on the importance of their participation.

#### **Contact Us**

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#### Butts on the Bus:

This event was dedicated to showcase Pembroke Township and Hopkins Park rich culture, history, community, farming and natural habitat. Over the years through our simple country life style it has been discovered that we have been Phone:

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good stewards of the environment, thereby protecting what has recently been discovered by U.S. Fish & Wildlife, Nature Conservancy and others.

Village of Hopkins Park Staff:

Clerk: Ieshia Shields

Treasurer: Kent Nichols

Water Clerk: Lorraine Rogers

Water Operator: Vermell Lockett

Code Enforcer/Building Inspector: Bruce Collins

Water & Sewer Operators:

Ollie Paino

**Eugene Thomas** 

Community Resource Officer:

Phyllis Goodloe

### KCC Employs Students in Our Community:

Kankakee Community College is financing a summer work program, providing the Village with three (3) student employees in exchange for teaching work ethics and other valuable job training skills. We are pleased to have students from our community participate in the program.

## Robin Kelly 2<sup>nd</sup> Congressional District

I'm honored to have participated as a host for a fund raiser along with many other elected officials and community members for Congresswoman Robin Kelly, Representing Illinois' 2<sup>nd</sup> Congressional District which includes Pembroke Township and Hopkins Park area.

# Kankakee County Convention & Visitors Bureau Donation to the Village:

On behalf of the Village of Hopkins Park, our staff and the community, I would like to extend our warmest appreciation to the Kankakee County Convention & Visitors Bureau, and their staff for donating office furniture. Their donation has transformed our office space into a professional work environment for both our staff and the community we serve.

#### Kankakee County Farm Bureau:

A letter from the Kankakee County Farm Bureau discussing their concern over a "Priority Issue: Wildlife Refuge Proposal Reintroduced", can be viewed on our website: www.hopkinspark-il.gov

PLEASE TAKE THE TIME TO READ AND UNDERSTAND THESE MAJOR PLANS BEING PROPOSED FOR OUR LAND & COMMUNITY

#### Rodeo Park Water Fun Returns:

The park is in full operation so ENJOY the FUN!

Board of Trustees:

Rev. Louis Barnes

Rosemary Foster

Lonnie Jarrett

Jamal Robinson

Ruthel Teague

**Tonia Thomas** 

Attorney: James Bartley